(b) if so, the details, separately, of orders received from indigenous and foreign companies;

(c) whether Government propose to take some steps to increase such record number of orders for AC/DC in future;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Yes, Sir. BHEL has secured orders worth Rs. 130 crores in 1995-96, for the supply of AC/DC machines as against Rs. 101 crores worth of orders in 1994-95;

(d) The details of orders—indigenous & foreign received during 1995-96 are as under:—

	Foreign	Indigenous
(i)	From companies located in USA & Italy for Indian market Rs. 1.23 crores	Rs. 127.42 crores
(ii)	For projects located in Vietnam & Nepal through Indian suppliers Rs. 1.35 crores	

(c) to (e) BHEL is constantly making efforts to secure orders for AC/DC machines both for domestic and export markets.

Export of Wheat

*351. PROF. NAUNIHAL SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government exported wheat to some countries;

(b) what are the importing countries and what quantity each country imported; and

(c) whether it is a fact that all the shipments of wheat were rejected, if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIA): (a) and (b) The total quantity and value of wheat exported during the year 1995-96 and 1996-97 (April—May, 1996 is as under:—

Year	Quantity (MTs)	Value (Rs. crores)
1995-96	617211	360.90
1996-97 (April-may '96)	491451	300.57

(Source : DGCI&S, Calcutta)

The details of exports of wheat during the month of June, 1996 are not yet available.

The country-wise details of quantity and value of wheat exported are available in the monthly bulletin/annual numbers published by Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence & Statistics, Calcutta, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

(c) A small number of consignments of wheat from India were detained by the Turkish, Moroccan and Polish authorities as they were found to be infected by Tilletia Indica (Karnal Bunt) fungus. All consignments except one have been re-exported from Turkey/morocco. One consignment of wheat each in Morocco and Poland are still quarantined.

Foodgrains for Rural Poor

*352 SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have seen the report of the recent first ever survey conducted by the National Council of Applied Ecomomic Research on the users of the public distribution system in the country;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government on various observations made therein and